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INSTRUCTIONS TO POSTMASTERS

Pak Hun Yong, Vice Premier

Since 15 August 1965, the Posts' Service as a whole has made remarkable progress despite the fact that the surrendering Japanese had destroyed most of the equipments and installations. The progress we made in North Korea, when compared with that of South Korea, is sensational, but we are still far from our ultimate objective. It is, therefore, necessary for us to make some special efforts to meet our quote for the Two-Year People's Economic Program. It is sincerely hoped that we can accomplish our share of work far ahead of schedule.

In spite of our remarkable achievements in the Postel Corwice, a number of of shortcomings have been noted. First of all, it appears occasionally that the Postal Service workers do not appreciate their work in terms of national progress and people's economy. Of course, this criticism does not apply to all, but it must be pointed out that certain workers fail to show any concern over the waste of government property and are lax in the sense of responsibility. Technicians appear to be satisfied with what they had learned before but are not interested in learning new techniques. Workers make obvious attempts to avoid difficult working conditions, and some of them always place personal interests before the interest of the nation. Another aspect which rust be mentioned in this connection is the fact that there is a lack of aggressiveness on the part of the workers to otrengthen the Communistic organizations and an obvious indifference to Party regulations. All of us should remember, however, that the accomplishments during the past 3 years are by no means meager. It is quite certain, therefore, that if we will pay a little more attention to the spirit of Party regulations, we will accomplish a great deal more in the days to come.

In this connection, I shall state three general things we can do to implement the Five-Year People's Economic Program better:

1. It is alsolutely necessary for everyone in the Postal Service to understand the meaning and impl. mations of this program, which was adopted in the second meeting of The Supreme People's Assembly, so that the Postal Service may meet its quote shead of schedule. It is true that present personnel and equipment are not sufficient to make the Postal Service in North Morea satisfactory. Therefore, we must exert adequate efforts to train more technicians and to produce more raw materials needed in Postal Service Lielephone, telegraph and wireless services are all under the Postal Service.

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Also, all personnel in the Postal Service must be given a higher type of indoctrination in Marxism-Leninism. Without understanding the political aspects of Marxism-Leninism, workers cannot appreciate the full meaning of the new Two-Year People's Economic Program. On the other hand, a thorough political knowledge of Marx and Lenin will enable workers to surmount any obstacle that may lie ahead and, furthermore, they will be willing and ready to make any sacrifice if called upon.

2. The Postal Service, like other branches of the government, must bend all of its efforts to give the skilled workers advanced training and to train more new technicians. This can be done by expanding the present training facilities and by maintaining a carefully supervised system of apprenticeship. In this connection Stalin said:

"To utilize the workers' skills to the maximum, there is need for technical specialists; furthermore, there is greater need for personnel who are not only capable of utilizing skilled workers to greater advantage but perform their duty within the realm of the Party regulations. All the technical knowledge in this world would mean acthing without specialists; therefore, the specialist is given primary consideration. It is for the same reason that the members of the Executive Committee of the Party are considered to be the most valuable asset in the world. They are the deciding factors in Party affairs. It is, therefore, essential for Party members to know that all Party metters are determined by the members of the Executive Committee."

The above instruction by Stalin is highly appropriate one in our efforts to make the Two-Year Economic Program successful.

3. Everyone in the Postal Service has definite responsibilities. Consequently, postal personnel must have a high sense of responsibility; they must be willing to protest government secrets by all means; do the cest they can to protect service installations and equipments; and at the same time prevent any infiltrations by reactionary elements. We cannot afford to tolerate persons who have more than one purpose in our Party as well as in the Postal Service. We must re-examine ourselves and our past experiences, and endeavor not to repeat the same mistakes again.

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